

# Join a Learning Community to test approaches for improved rates of cognitive assessment for older adults



The Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI), in collaboration with Mass General Brigham and the Milken Institute, invites health care organizations to join an 8-month Learning Community to accelerate progress toward timely detection and improved outcomes for older adults (ages 65 and older) experiencing cognitive impairment.

Early detection of mild dementia and Alzheimer's disease can have a profound impact on the care and treatment of older adults, yet one study showed that physicians were unaware of cognitive impairment in more than 40 percent of their cognitively impaired patients. With improved assessment and early detection, health systems can: adapt care processes and systems to address what matters most to older adults and their caregivers; improve key outcome measures; avoid complications in the treatment of co-morbid conditions; and reduce health disparities.

## Who Should Apply?

Organizations providing primary care and with a special interest in improving care for older adults experiencing cognitive impairment are encouraged to apply. Successful sites will have an interest in learning about and testing approaches to increase assessment rates and have familiarity with quality improvement methods.

IHI is seeking a diverse set of US health care organizations with which to learn. Space is limited and considerations for acceptance into the Learning Community include:

- Process and/or tools currently in use for screening
- Process and/or tools currently in use for assessment
- Payer mix
- Geography (including multiple regions in the US), rural and urban areas
- Population served (with an emphasis on racial, ethnic, and language diversity)



## Join Virtually

October 2022 –  
May 2023

## Stipends for Participation

Invited organizations will be granted a stipend of up to \$20,000 to support their work.

## Apply Today

To receive an application or for questions, email the IHI team at:

[CogAssessment@ihi.org](mailto:CogAssessment@ihi.org).

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